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Applicant: Reinhold NUTZ, Jr. et al

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Title: **FEB 02 2004** METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING
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TC/A.U.: 1764

Examiner: Jennifer Leung

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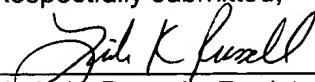
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	365	Utility filing fee
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)				110.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
32	31	= 1 x 18 = 18.00	
Independent Claims	1	= 0 x 86 = 0.00	
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
1202	18	2202 9 Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1051	130	2051	65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55 Extension for reply within first month	110.00
1252	420	2252	210 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475 Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165 Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240 Design issue fee	
1503	840	2503	320 Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1809	770	2809	385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.128(a))	
1810	770	2810	385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify)				
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